

NEXT WEEK'S MAILS
From The Coast:
Ecuador, May 8; Makura, May
8 or 9; Maui, May 11; Shin-
yo Maru, May 13.
For The Coast:
Manoa, May 11; Persia Maru,
May 11; Colombia, May 12;
Niagara, May 15.

Maui News

The Maui Spirit has done a lot for Maui. It ought to be able to help us to shake off the Island Electric incubus if given a chance.

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No Money For Belt Road For Two Years

Money For Kahului Water Supply Also Must Wait Till Third Bond Sale—Governor Says Maui Was Asleep.

Because Maui was asleep at the switch, Governor McCarthy implies, two important projects provided for under the loan act past by the last legislature, now have no chance whatever of getting any action for probably at least a year and a half.

One of these projects is the appropriation for the Wailuku waterworks of \$25,000 upon which the people of Kahului have been depending to get an adequate water supply. The other is the \$75,000 item for the macadamizing of the belt road through the pineapple district, the lack of which work jeopardizes a considerable part of the pineapple industry of Maui in case of a few months of rainy weather such as occurred in 1914.

Because the Maui people made no sign during last July and August, at the time that Governor McCarthy was arranging the various loan fund items for the several bond issues in the order of their supposed importance, these two very important items were shunted to the third and last issue while Hawaii and Oahu items were placed in the second instalment. This tentative arrangement was published with the idea that it was not satisfactory there would be a protest. The Governor says that Maui was, from all the evidence he could gather, satisfied.

Bad Situation
But Maui is not satisfied, though it is now too late to do anything, the Governor says. The second bond issue which was to have been floated some months ago and which will be this fall, has been authorized by the President and cannot be amended. Parenthetically it may be mentioned that the reason for the postponement of this issue was not the weak condition of the bond market but because the bond attorneys of the prospective buyers declined to approve the issue for the reason that it was being issued within the same fiscal year as the first issue, the law providing that this may not be done where the amount is more than a certain percentage of the assessment value of the territory.

For the same reason it will not be possible to issue the third lot of bonds until the fiscal year following that in which the second allotment was made, or after June 30, 1921. The third issue will therefore be made perhaps not earlier than the fall of next year, and the money made available probably sometime in 1922.

Work Delayed
The need of increasing the water supply of Kahului is patent to most persons on Maui. Of course the county might have made provision for it but the matter was taken to the legislature and provision made in the loan fund act. Therefore the county took no cognizance of the matter when making up its budget, and consequently has no money that can be diverted to the work.

The belt road matter is also a precarious one. So long as dry weather holds there is no difficulty, but when the rains come the average planted to pineapples in the district a wet season might be a calamity to the planters. In this connection the Governor is also reported to have said that someone from Maui, whose name he could not at the time remember, had told him that the belt road was not a pressing matter and that, owing to the shortage of labor it should be held over.

About the only items of any interest in the second loan are the \$220,000 for the Mala wharf and \$20,000 for the road up Lao valley. Governor McCarthy says he was of the opinion when no objections to his plans were forthcoming, that the items in the third loan were all of minor importance on par, for example, with the item for a court house at Lahaina.

D. Lee Austin Is A Castaway For 5 Days

D. L. Austin, the well known traveling salesman for Theo. H. Davies & Co., who has many friends on Maui, had an exciting adventure on Kauai a few weeks ago when a party of 12 with whom he had gone fishing along the Napali coast were trapped on the rocky coast at the base of unscalable cliffs by a kona storm, their boat smashed, and thus cut off from rescue for five days.

An effort was made to reach the party by a launch sent out by Manager B. D. Baldwin, but the surf was so rough that the attempt was abandoned. Later a party of Japanese fishermen did manage to make a landing and to rescue the castaways, all of whom had suffered more or less from exposure and lack of food.

In the party were—Dr. W. T. Dunn, C. W. Smith, D. L. Austin, H. W. Schriener, J. H. Caldwell, of San Francisco, Charles Blacksted, T. B. Buch, and a number of Hawaiians, whose names have not been reported.

Lights Fade Away, Service Stopped

Wailuku and Kahului have been without street lights for a week. Presumably this condition will continue until the proposed new Maui Electric Company is in the field or until the Island Electric Co., is in a position to deliver more satisfactory service.

"The lights were switched off on the first of the month on written instructions from the county government advising the power company that it did not care for the service longer. The letter was written by County Clerk Kane at the instance of Chairman Sam Kalama of the board of supervisors."

At its meeting last month the supervisors instructed County Engineer Low to require the electric company to place a meter on its street service lines and to pay for street lights only upon the actual amount of current used. The company, it is reported, was unable to comply at once with this requirement, which may have been the direct result of cutting out the use of the street lights altogether. There had been much complaint for some time past because so many burned out lamps in the cluster lights on the streets were permitted to remain thus reducing the amount of light paid for under the flat rate. The county has been paying between \$400 and \$600 a month for this service.

Investigation Drags On
The public utilities commission's investigation of the Island Electric Co., is still dragging on. Manager Blair was called to Honolulu to attend what was supposed would be the last meeting on the subject on last Tuesday night. E. R. Bevins, representing the chamber of commerce, was also there. The commission has been trying to get certain figures relating to the comparative use of current in this community for lighting and for power, but Blair was apparently again unable or unwilling to produce the data and after a long and rather acrimonious session the matter went over until the 18th for further hearing.

Manoa Arrives And Will Sail Tomorrow Night

The Matson steamer Manoa arrived this morning from Honolulu bringing 13 passengers from the island metropolis and 684 tons of miscellaneous freight for local consignees. She is taking on 2000 tons of sugar and 500 tons of molasses and will get away for Honolulu again tomorrow night.

A number of Maui folk are booked for the coast by the Manoa this trip. They include—Mrs. J. A. Tierman and child, Mrs. C. V. Orme, E. N. Lufkin, Mrs. Mary Hilmer, Mrs. C. D. Lufkin, Mrs. C. B. Wood, Joseph Scott, Miss Edith Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Boobar.

The West Hesseltime, freighter, is due to arrive from Honolulu on Sunday morning to take on 3000 tons of Maui sugar. She expects to do this and get away for Hilo to finish her cargo by Monday night.

Two vessels due to arrive at Kahului next week are the freighters Delwood, which sailed from the coast on the 2nd with 500 tons of cargo for this port; and the West Nilus, which sailed on the 3rd with 559 tons of freight.

The freighter, *Clara*, arrived Wednesday with a full cargo of oranges and was consigned to the Kahului wharf. She is discharging at the wharf.

REGISTER NOW IF YOU WISH TO VOTE

Less than half of the voters of Maui have registered as is required by law, according to County Clerk Kane. Unless they do this in plenty of time before the election they will not get a vote. If in the meantime if the women are granted a franchise they are likely to swamp the slowpoke men in the scramble to get on the great register.

Maui Foresters Will Build Home At Kahului

Court Valley Island, No. 3239, Ancient Order of Foresters, is very shortly to build a \$10,000 business and lodge room building at Kahului. A committee of the lodge has been negotiating for some time for a lease on the necessary land, and this has now been practically settled. The idea is to build a building that will bring in revenue from renting the lower floor for business purposes, while the lodge will have a commodious meeting place on the second floor.

The Maui Foresters have, in the past two years been perhaps the most active society on Maui and have very largely increased their membership. The need for a home has been sorely felt for some time past, but it was not until recently that the lodge decided to build its own quarters, all other methods of finding such having failed.

NEW MAUI ELECTRIC CO. NOW SEEMS SURE

Local People Take Matter Of Getting Real Service Into Own Hands—Committee Named To Push Work Of Organizing New Concern—Stock Being Subscribed and Incorporation To Be Effected Soon—Plan Is To Have Company Widely Held—To Sign Contracts For Service Also.

Wade Warren Thayer, trustee of the foreclosure proceedings recently ordered instituted by the bondholders, Co., Ltd., arrived in Wailuku from Honolulu this morning by the Manoa. Contrary to the impression prevalent here, he has not as yet instituted proceedings to foreclose on the mortgage on the property of the company by which the bonds in question are secured, although he received notice of the desire of the bondholders to take such action. He is here, he states, to get as much data as possible on which to establish the suit to be filed, and as soon as he had this he will of course get the action started.

Mr. Thayer confirms the opinion of the attorneys familiar with the mortgage in question, that it will require a long drawn-out fight in the courts to foreclose as it apparently was drawn so as to give the bondholders a minimum and the company the maximum of power. Many technical difficulties, it is said, may be interposed if the effort to foreclose is contested.

An electric company that will ultimately supply all of central Maui with electricity or light and power was practically decided upon this week by the committee of Maui citizens called together by R. A. Wadsworth for the purpose of considering the community problem.

Following closely upon this meeting, which was held on Tuesday, a sub-committee named for the purpose, has already opened subscription lists for the pledges of stock in the new concern, has made arrangements for securing a charter of incorporation, and will have a petition before the supervisors at their meeting next week asking for a permit for the new company to erect poles and string wires upon the streets and roads of the county.

The name of the new company will be The Maui Electric Company, Limited. It is to start with a capital of \$100,000, with the privilege of increasing to \$500,000. The shares of the company will have a par value of \$20.

Ready For Anything
The general feeling is that the new company should be held by as many Maui people as possible, and to this end it was decided that approximately half of the capital should be first offered for general subscription at once. There will, it is quite certain, be no difficulty in raising the balance.

Time is deemed an important factor in the organization. It is the intention to be in position to buy the assets of the Island Electric Co., should they be sold as a result of

Pineapples To Bring \$40.06 Ton This Year

Pineapple growers will receive \$40.06 per ton for first class fruit during the coming year. This is a jump of over \$13 per ton over the price paid during the past year. Notice of the new price came to Manager A. F. Tavares, of the Haiku Fruit & Packing Co., last Saturday by wireless from the coast. It is based on the new selling price of \$3.15 per dozen cans for No. 2 1/2 extra sliced.

While the new price is not altogether a surprise to the growers, it is the matter of much satisfaction to all of them, and will undoubtedly have the effect of still further spurring up production in a field that is already being almost feverishly exploited.

The opening prices for canned pineapple on which the canneries sell their seasons pack, are made about the first of May each year and announced on the coast. Last year the opening price for 2 1/2 extra sliced was

Size	Proportion	Rate	Total
2 1/2 Ex. Sliced	30%	\$3.15	\$94.50
2 1/2 Std. do.	15%	2.85	37.75
2 Ex. Sliced	20%	2.60	52.00
2 Std. do.	10%	2.50	25.00
2 Ex. Grated	20%	2.60	52.00
10 Ex. Sliced in juice	5%	9.50	47.50
	100%		\$308.75

The average selling price per dozen for this year is therefore \$3.0875; and this is \$13.275 over the base price of \$1.75, and every 5 cents of this

additional figure is equal to 75 cents per ton to the grower added to \$20. The result, as stated is \$40.06. It is believed good prices will continue.

New Comers To Wed Tomorrow Afternoon

At the Church of the Good Shepherd tomorrow afternoon, will occur the marriage of Miss May Hayward, a teacher at present in the Wailuku public school, and Mr. Arthur E. Sayers, assistant manager of the Maui Publishing Co. The ceremony will be a very simple one and will be attended only by Mr. and Mrs. Will J. Cooper. It will be performed by the pastor, the Rev. J. Charles Villiers.

Both Mr. Sayers and Miss Hayward are new-comers in the Islands. The latter, who is an English girl, met Mr. Sayers during the war in England, where he was serving in the British army, and where their romance began. At the close of hostilities both came to Canada, Mr. Sayers to recuperate from serious wounds, and Miss Hayward to engage in further government relief work. They have friends in Honolulu, and some months ago with a party of friends decided to visit the Islands and later to make their home here.

Before the war Mr. Sayers was a resident of Los Angeles. Miss Hayward had particularly trying war experiences, including the loss of her brother, who while one of those who reached the south pole in the famous Shackleton expedition, was also one of those who failed to return.

Following their marriage the young couple will make their home for the present in the D. H. Case residence.

TELEPHONE COMPANY WILL ISSUE NEW BOOK

A new issue of the Maui Telephone directory is in process of compilation to be issued about July 1. Manager Brown states that the new book will be several pages larger than the old book on account of additional connections that have been made. He states that the new book will also be better arranged than the previous one. Corrections may be made in the new directory up to June 1.

June 1 Now Set For Opening New Maui Bank

Manager C. D. Lufkin, of the Bank of Maui, Ltd., states that the long-lost vault door for the new Wailuku bank building has finally been found, and that it is on board the Manoa due to be landed at Kahului today.

The contractor has been notified and although it is quite a little job to install the big door, he hopes that the work can be completed by the first of June.

POOR MARKET CAUSES SHIPS TO TRAVEL EMPTY

MANILA, P. I. April 30—Many cargo ships are leaving Manila with their holds practically empty, shipping agents say, on account of adverse market conditions in the United States.

The low prices of hemp and coconut oil, two of the leading articles of export from the Philippines, are leading reasons for the surplus of cargo space, shipping men declare.

It is asserted that, on account of surplus stocks of hemp and coconut oil accumulated in the United States during the war, these commodities are lower in prices there than in the Philippines.

WACS BEAT ASAHIS IN 10-INNING GAME

In the last of the 3 practice games which have been on between the Wacs and the Asahis, the former won out but it took 10 innings of hard play to do it. The score was 7 to 6. Batteries: Wacs—Reis, Cummings and Alfonso; Asahis—C. Aki and Masakiuchi.

MANILA, P. I. April 30—All five members of the Supreme Court of the Philippine Islands are absent from the country. One is on his way to the United States on leave; two are en route here from the United States after a vacation of a year, and two others are in Japan attending a meeting of the Bar Association of Japan.

Paia School Class Pays Visit To Maui News

The 8th grade pupils of the Paia school under Miss Fleming, principal, and with Robert Judd as escort, paid a visit to the printing plant of the Maui News yesterday afternoon where they spent three-quarters of an hour in watching the wheels go around.

To most of the bright boys and girls who make up the class it was their first glimpse inside of a printing shop and to all the experience was very interesting. The linotype and the large press on which a section of the Maui News was being run off for their benefit, were the objects of chief fascination.

The county board of supervisors will hold its May meeting beginning next Wednesday, May 12.

Report Mala Wharf Money To Go To Hana

Disquieting Rumor Comes From Honolulu—Hana Project To Cost Double Fund For That Purpose—Governor McCarthy Says "No"

Is the Mala wharf to be built at Hana? County Attorney Bevins asked Governor McCarthy this question this week and the Governor emphatically answered no. But there are others who put their tongue in their cheek when the question is asked.

The fact is that the \$220,000 item in the loan fund act which is popularly supposed to have been for building the landing in Lahaina district, went in as for "wharves and landings on Maui."

Also it is apparent that the new wharf being built at Hana, and which was supposed to cost in the neighborhood of \$75,000 is really going to cost about twice that much. The reason for this is that someone apparently made a blunder in connection with the survey for the East Maui structure. In places where 20-foot piles were indicated by the specifications it has been necessary to put in piles 50 feet long or over; while the result that there are a lot of fine concrete piles made and lying on the shore over there that cannot be used at all.

Besides this a shifting of the currents is said to have carried out a lot of the sand at the location of the wharf exposing a ledge of very hard lava through which it is necessary to drill in order to set the piles, where it had been the idea that they would be set in sand or other soft material.

Contractor J. B. Agassiz, who has been patiently worrying along for many months past, is said to be very philosophical over the matter and, seemingly, is not worrying as to where the big pile of extra money is to come from to pay for the additional cost. So far as can be seen there seems to be no money whatever available unless it be from the bond money intended for Mala, which probably legally could be diverted to the Hana project.

The Maui chamber of commerce and the Maui public generally which has been laboring so hard for so long to get a ship's wharf on the Lahaina side, are not likely to take the suggested plan of diversion in very good part. The matter will perhaps get an airing at the chamber of commerce meeting next week.

It is understood that also the matter of some changes in location of the Mala wharf from what had at first been proposed have been made by the experts as a result of the study made of the currents and character of the bottom in the vicinity. Plans as they altered have been received on this week, it is understood, and it is the basis of some further chamber action.

SEES END OF JAPAN AND KOREAN MIX

DES MOINES, Ia., May 1—Strained relations between Japan and Korea are greatly improved, but the conditions between the two countries will be similar to that existing between Great Britain and India.

This is the belief of Herbert V. missionary of the Methodist church in Seoul, Korea, as expressed to the International quadrennial conference of the church, held in Des Moines.

Supporting this stand was W. S. Lewis, who is stationed in Shanghai.

Mr. Welch made the reports on the church work and general conditions in Korea, and among other things, said that while the resistance of the Koreans against Japanese interference continues owing to the growing desire of independence, he expressed confidence in the administration of General Saito the Japanese Governor-General, and then announced that he believed the day was not far off when Korea and Japan would occupy positions similar to Great Britain and Canada.

Bishop Lewis told the delegates to the conference that the Methodist church had increased 40 per cent in China during the last four years, and expressed high hopes for the future of the nation both from a political and religious standpoint.

Old Fiji Islander Dies Of Pneumonia In Kula

An old man, some 70 years of age, who has always gone by the name of Friday Day, died in Kula on April 25, of pneumonia. He was a South Sea Islander, his birthplace being on the Rotuma island, a small island of the Fiji group, but he has lived in these islands for some 40 years or more. He came aboard a sailing vessel, the crew of which had dubbed him "Friday" and that name was all he was ever known by. He was the father of several children in Kula.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Wailuku Union Church will meet on next Tuesday with Mrs. T. A. Brown.